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TO:

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

FROM:

Robert T. Kenney, Director

SUBJECT:

BOARD OF APPEAL REFERRALS

Hearing date: 1/14/75

Petition No. Z-3236 Oscar Gallaher 104-108 Warren Street, Roxbury at Winthrop Street

One-story restaurant - Model Cities Area - apartment (H-1) and general business (B-1) districts.

Purpose: to provide accessory off-street parking; to combine lots.

Violation:

Section 10-1. In a residential district, accessory off-street parking may not occupy any part of the required front yard.

Thirteen off-street spaces would be provided for restaurant facility. It is recommended that suitable planting be provided as a buffer at the right side yard on Winthrop Street and that lighting be directed away from residential properties on Winthrop Street. Recommend approval with provisos.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-3236, brought by Oscar Gallaher, 104-108 Warren Street, Roxbury, in the Model Cities Area, for a variance to combine lots to provide off-street parking in apartment (H-1) and general business (B-1) districts, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval provided that suitable planting be provided as a buffer at the right side yard on Winthrop Street and that lighting be directed away from residential properties on Winthrop Street.



Hearing date: 1/14/75

Petition No. Z-3237 Robert C. Spencer 22-24 Antwerp Street, Brighton near Ascot Street

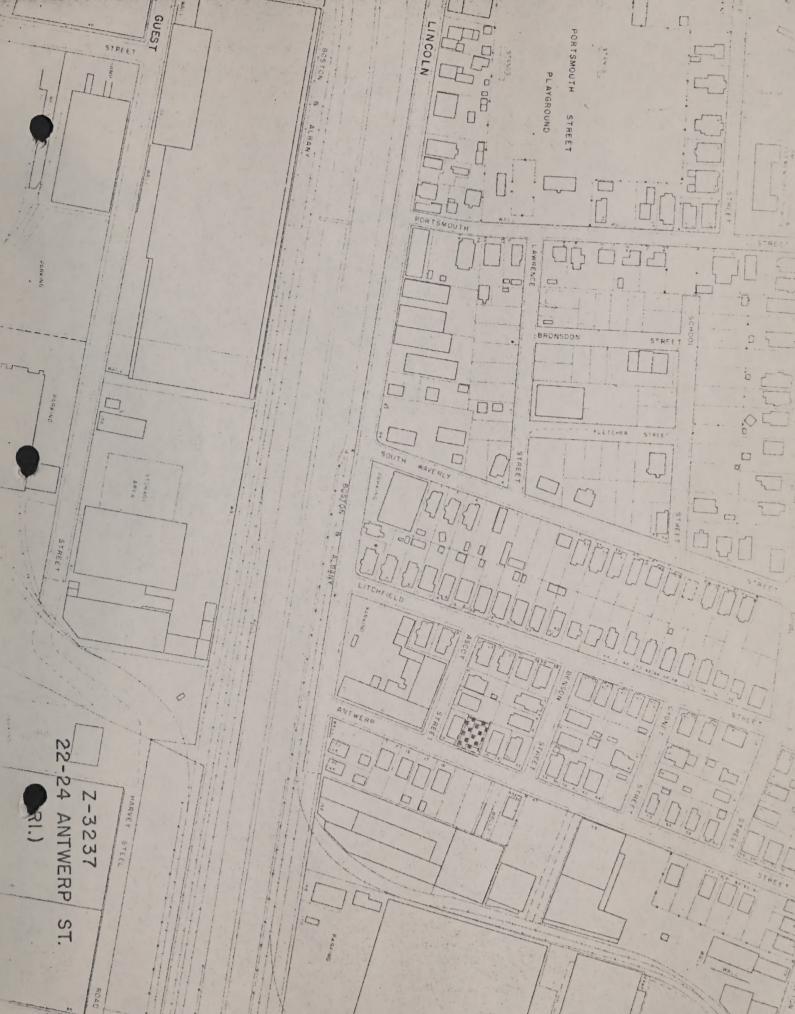
Two-and-a-half-story frame structure - residential (R-.8) district.

Purpose: change of occupancy from two-family dwelling to three-family dwelling.

Violations:		Required	Proposed
Section 8-7.	A dwelling converted for more families which does not meet the requirements of lot area and open space is forbidden in an R8 district.	5000 sq.ft.	3105 sq.ft.
Section 14-2.	Lot area for additional dwelling is insufficient.	1500 sf/du	0
Section 17-1.	Open space is insufficient.	800 sf/du	333 sf/du

Proposed conversion would create an undesirable precedent and would be detrimental to the predominant one- and two-family residences on this narrow street. There are no provisions for off-street parking. Recommend denial.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-3237, brought by Robert C. Spencer, 22-24 Antwerp Street, Brighton, for a forbidden use and two variances for a change of occupancy from a two-family dwelling to a three-family dwelling in a residential (R-.8) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends denial. Proposed conversion would create an undesirable precedent and would be detrimental to the predominant one- and two-family residences on this narrow street. There are no provisions for off-street parking.



Hearing date: 1/14/75

Petition No. Z-3238
Bernard A. and Charlotte F. Shore
1360 Commonwealth Avenue, Brighton
at Scottfield Road

Two-story masonry structure - apartment (H-1 and H-2) districts.

Purpose: change of occupancy from public garage to sale, repair, and storage of motor vehicles.

Violations:

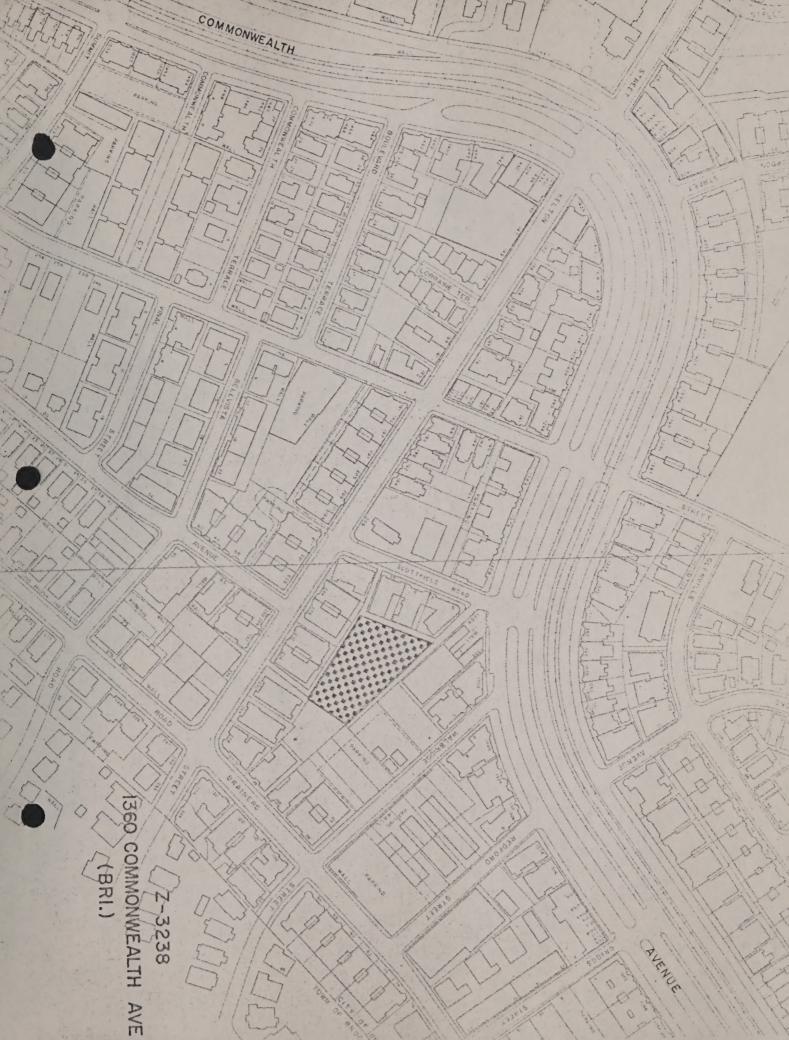
Section 8-6. A change in a conditional use requires Board of Appeal approval.

Section 8-7. A repair garage is forbidden in H-1 and H-2 districts.

Section 8-7. Sale of automobiles within a structure is forbidden in H-1 and H-2 districts.

The nonconforming repair and retail facility would tend to have a disturbing effect on this congested multifamily neighborhood. A significant demand for off-street parking exists in the area. Recommend denial.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-3238, brought by Bernard A. and Charlotte F. Shore, 1360 Commonwealth Avenue, Brighton, for a conditional use and two forbidden uses for a change of occupancy from public garage to sale, repair, and storage of motor vehicles in apartment (H-1 and H-2) districts, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends denial. The nonconforming repair and retail facility would tend to have a disturbing effect on this congested multifamily neighborhood. A significant demand for off-street parking exists in the area.



Hearing date: 1/14/75

Petition No. Z-3240 Salvatore Guarino

43 Beachview Road, East Boston

near Orient Avenue

5,000 square feet of vacant land - single-family (S-.5) district.

Purpose: to erect a one-family dwelling - single-family (S-.5) district.

Violations:

		Required	Proposed
Section 14-1.	Lot area is insufficient.	6,000 sf	5,000 sf
Section 14-3.	Lot width is insufficient.	60 ft.	50 ft.
Section 14-4.	Street frontage is insufficient.	60 ft.	50 ft.
Section 19-1.	Side yard is insufficient.	10 ft.	5 ft.

The one-family dwelling and basement garage is a reasonable land use and consistent with surrounding residential properties. Violations are minimal and will not have adverse effects. Recommend approval.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-3240, brought by Salvatore Guarino, 43 Beachview Road, East Boston, for four variances to erect a one-family dwelling in a single-family (S-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval. The one-family dwelling and basement garage would be consistent with surrounding residential properties. Violations are minimal and will not have adverse effects.



Hearing date: 1/21/75 Petition No. Z-3241

Massachusetts General Hospital 25 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston near Berkeley Street

Three-story masonry structure - apartment (H-5-70) district.

Purpose: to change occupancy from one-family dwelling to dormitory.

Violations:

Required Proposed

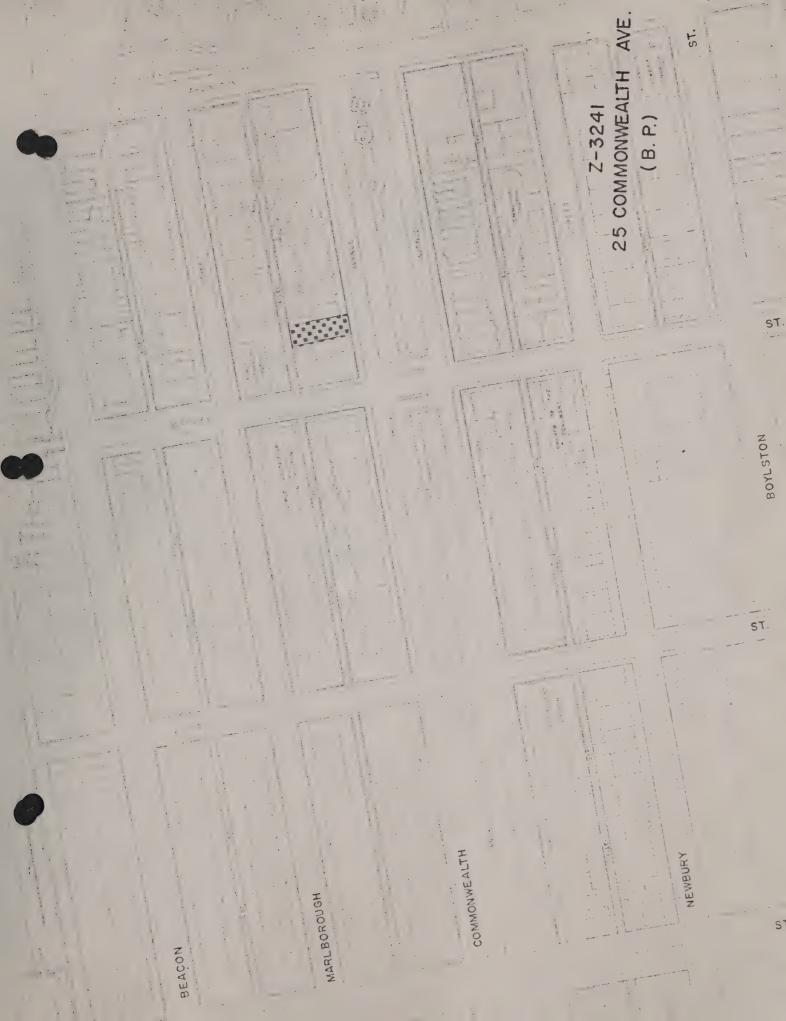
Section 8-7. A dormitory not on the same lot but accessory is conditional in an apart-

ment (H-5-70) district.

Section 23-1. Off-street parking is insufficient. 5 spaces 2 spaces

In 1969 the petitioner was granted a five-year conditional use; the Authority had previously recommended approval. Current appeal requests continuance of the dormitory facility for 28 student nurses. Petitioner owns the abutting property at 27 Commonwealth Avenue, similarly occupied as a dormitory. All students are required to utilize the main hospital parking facilities. Following is recommended: that the dormitory be continued for an additional five years and that the property comply with building and housing inspection code requirements. Recommend approval with provisos.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-3241, brought by Massachusetts General Hospital, 25 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston, for a conditional use and a variance for a change of occupancy from a one-family dwelling to a dormitory in an apartment (H-5-70) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval with the following conditions: that the dormitory use be continued for another five years and that the property comply with building and housing inspection code requirements.



Hearing date: 1/21/75

Petition No. Z-3243 West Roxbury Congregational Church 1963 Centre Street, West Roxbury at Mt. Vernon Street

18,590 square feet of vacant land - single family (S-.5) district.

Purpose: to erect a one-story church structure.

Violations:

		Required	Proposed
Section 14-2.	Lot area for additional unit is insufficient.	4000 sf/u	839 sf/u
Section 15-1.	Floor area ratio is excessive.	.5	.8
Section 16-1.	Height of building is excessive.	35 ft.	45 ft.
Section 18-4.	Front yard is insufficient.	30 ft.	22 ft.
Section 20-1.	Rear yard is insufficient.	50 ft.	6 ft.
Section 23-2.	Off-street parking is insufficient.	26 spaces	1 space

The new church would replace a similar facility destroyed by fire in 1973. Violations would not have an adverse effect on the immediate area (residential-commercial-institutional). Arrangements should be made with adjacent supermarket facility to provide required off-street parking. Plans should be submitted to the Authority for design review. Recommend approval with provisos.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-3243, brought by West Roxbury Congregational Church, 1963 Centre Street, West Roxbury, for six variances to erect a one-story church in a single-family (S-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval provided the petitioner arrange with adjacent supermarket to provide required off-street parking and provided that plans be submitted to the Authority for design review.



Hearing date: 1/21/75

Petition No. Z-3244 Hugo Valandro 284-284A Newbury and 42-44 Gloucester Streets Boston

Three-story brick structure - general business (B-4-70) district.

Purpose: change of occupancy from music school, classrooms, and studios to

18 apartments and restaurant.

Violations:

		Required	Proposed
Section 8-6.	A change in a conditional use requires Board of Appeal approval.		
Section 8-7.	A restaurant is conditional in a B-4-70 district.		
Section 20-1.	Rear yard is not provided.	20 ft.	0
Secgion 23-1.	Off-street parking is not provided.	13 spaces	0

Petitioner is relocating from site at Berkeley Street and Commonwealth Avenue. It is proposed to remodel and convert the vacant structure to a viable occupancy of 18 one-bedroom apartments; the basement restaurant would accommodate approximately 100 persons. The Back Bay Federation has expressed approval of the development. Following is recommended: that the petitioner indicate to the Board of Appeal the acquisition or lease of space to provide off-street parking; that the restaurant operation terminate at 11:00 P.M. each evening; and that any exterior patio service terminate at 10:00 P.M.; that restaurant plans be approved by the Health and Hospitals Department. Recommend approval with provisos.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-3244, brought by Hugo Valandro, 284-284A Newbury and 42-44 Gloucester Streets, Boston, for a conditional use, a change in a conditional use, and two variances for a change of occupancy from music school, classrooms, and studios to 18 apartments and restaurant in a gneeral business (B-4-70) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval with the following provisos: that the petitioner indicate to the Board of Appeal the acquisition or lease of space to provide off-street parking; that the restaurant operation terminate at 11:00 P.M. each evening and that any exterior patio service terminate at 10:00 P.M.; that restaurant plans be approved by Health and Hospitals Department. The Back Bay Federation has has expressed approval of the development.



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Hearing date: 1/21/75

Petition No. Z-3245 Columbia Car Corp. 273 Columbia Road, Dorchester near Wyola Place

One-story masonry structure - Model Cities Area - local business (L-1) and manufacturing (M-1) districts.

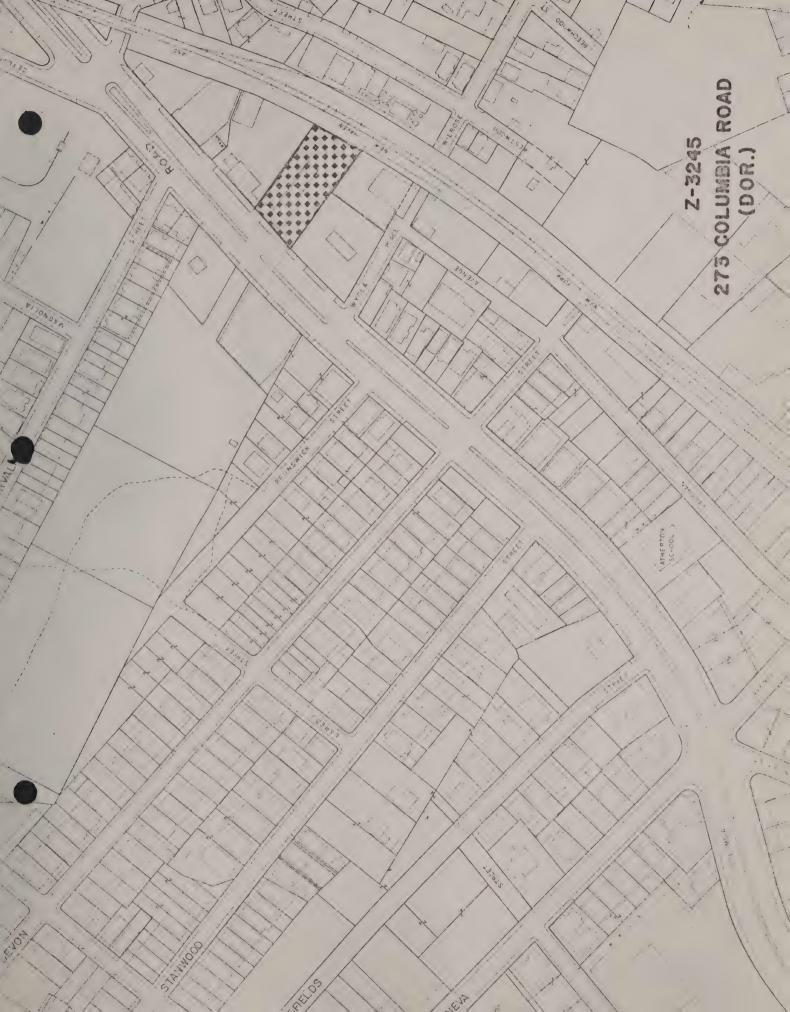
Purpose: change of occupancy from car wash to car wash and retail gasoline sales.

Violation:

Section 8-7. A gas service station is conditional in an L-1 district.

Facility has existed at the site for many years. Proposed additional customer service would not have an adverse effect on adjacent properties. Recommend approval with Board of Appeal guideline proviso.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-3245, brought by Columbia Car Corp., 273 Columbia Road, Dorchester, in the Model Cities Area, for a conditional use for a change of occupancy from a car wash to a car wash and retail gasoline sales in local business (L-1) and manufacturing (M-1) districts, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval provided the facility complies with Board of Appeal gas service station guidelines. Proposed additional customer service would not have an adverse effect on adjacent properties.



Hearing date: 1/14/75

Petition No. Z-3248 Rosalyn Realty Trust Western Auto Parks, Inc.

Steven D. Karas

16-18 Kingston Street, Boston

near Summer Street

2,944 square feet of vacant land - general business (B-10) district.

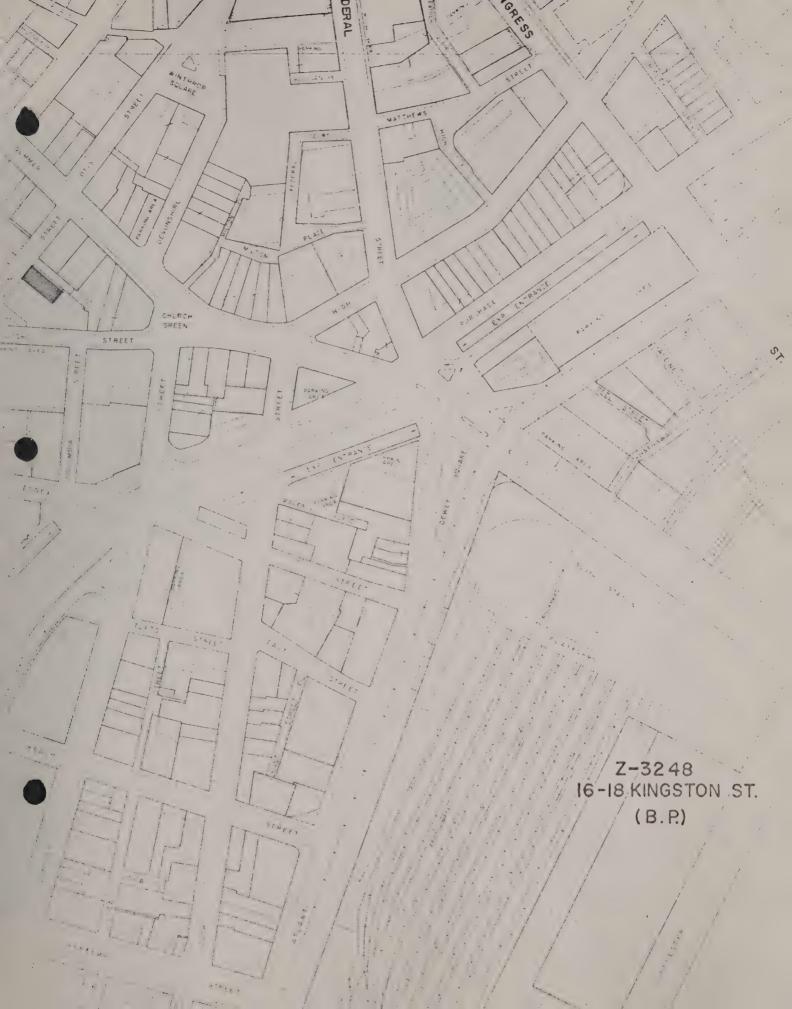
Purpose: to use premises as parking lot for 15 cars, charging a fee.

Violation:

Section 8-7. A parking lot is conditional in a B-10 district.

No evidence has been submitted to justify the facility in a restricted parking district. Proposal represents an unreasonable use of land, would only add to the many small parking lots already existing in the area, and is not consistent with long range plans for the central business district. Recommend denial.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-3248, brought by Rosalyn Realty Trust and Western Auto Parks, Inc., 16-18 Kingston Street, Boston, for a conditional use to use premises as a parking lot for 15 cars, charging a fee, in a general business (B-10) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends denial. evidence has been submitted to justify the facility in a restricted parking district. Proposal represents an unreasonable use of land, would only add to the many small parking lots already existing in the area, and is not consistent with long range plans for the central business district.



Hearing date: 1/21/75

Petitions Nos. Z-3249-3250

Edward Vozzella and James F. Mahoney 2480-2484 Centre Street, West Roxbury

at Dana Road

14,638 square feet of vacant land - single-family (S-.5) district.

Purpose: to erect two two-family dwellings.

Violations:

Required Proposed

Section 8-7. A two-family dwelling is forbidden

in an S-.5 district.

Section 14-2. Lot area for additional dwelling

unit is insufficient.

4000 sf/du 1323 sf/du

Section 18-1. Front yard is insufficient.

30 ft.

20 ft.

Neighborhood is predominantly single-family. Proposal represents an unreasonable use of land, would create an adverse precedent, and does not comply with conditions required for a variance. Recommend denial.

VOTED: That in connection with Petitions Nos. Z-3249-3250, brought by Edward Vozzella and James F. Mahoney, 2480-2484 Centre Street, West Roxbury, for two forbidden uses and four variances to erect two two-family dwellings in a single-family (S-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends denial. Proposal represents an unreasonable use of land, would create an adverse precedent, and does not comply with conditions

required for a variance.



Hearing date: 1/21/75

Petition No. Z-3254
Knights of Columbus Building Association of Roslindale Inc.
4192 Washington Street, Roslindale at Basile Street

Two-story masonry structure - local business (L-.5) district.

Purpose: to erect a two-story addition to a private club.

Violations:

		Required	Proposed
Section 8-6.	A change in a conditional use requires Board of Appeal approval		
Section 15-1.	Floor area ratio is excessive.	0.5	1.2
Section 23-2.	Off-street parking is insufficient.	9 spaces	0

Addition (900 square feet of floor area) would be utilized for storage purposes. Staff recommends that provisions be made for required off-street parking and that plans be submitted for design review. Recommend approval with provisos.

VOTED: That in connection with Petition No. Z-3254, brought by the Knights of Columbus Building Association of Roslindale Inc., 4192 Washington Street, Roslindale, for a conditional use and three variances to erect an addition to a private club in a local business (L-.5) district, the Boston Redevelopment Authority recommends approval provided the petitioner acquire or lease space to supply required off-street parking and that plans be submitted to the Authority for design review.

